

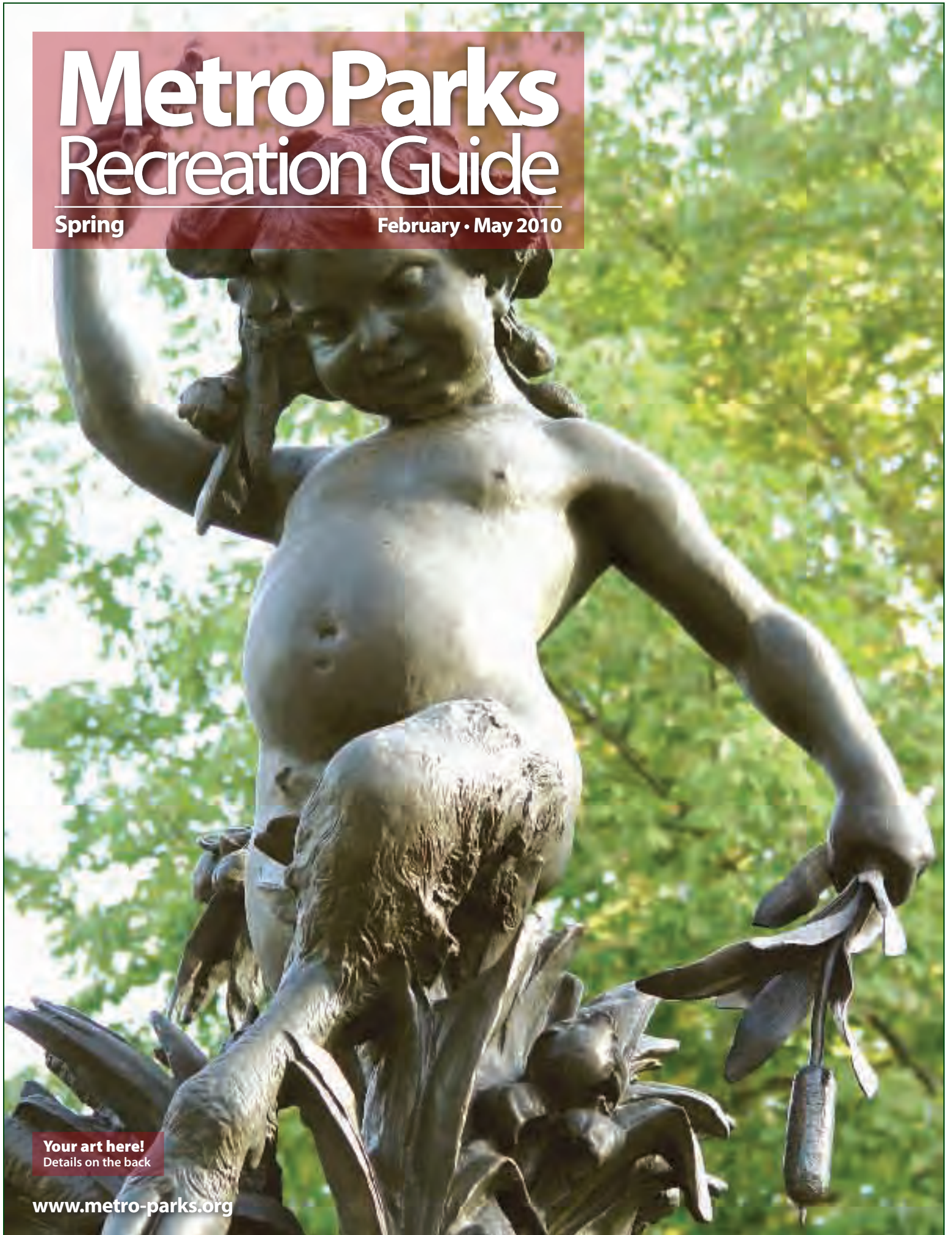
MetroParks Recreation Guide

Spring

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Meeting Your Needs

Conference Centers

Metro Parks operates five modern conference facilities, each of which is ready to host your next corporate, civic or social event. Our facilities are an economical option for a number of different events, including weddings, team-building programs and historic home tours. Metro Parks staff will work with you to plan for the specific needs of your group. Sites are equipped with kitchens, and all are easily adapted to the use of audio-visual equipment and accessible to caterers. Rates vary; contact each facility or visit their website for more information or to schedule a site visit.

Venues

Iroquois Park Amphitheater

Entire venue or Olmsted Room

1080 Amphitheater Rd 40215

phone 502/368-5865

web www.iroquoisamphitheater.com

email parkpermits@louisvilleky.gov



Jefferson Memorial Forest

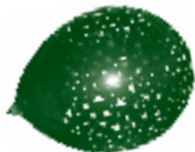
Horine Conference Center

11311 Mitchell Hill Rd
Fairdale, KY 40118

phone 502/368-5404

web www.memorialforest.com

email forest@louisvilleky.gov



King Conference Center

4214 South Pope Lick Rd 40299

phone 502/368-5404

web www.memorialforest.com

email forest@louisvilleky.gov



Locust Grove

Visitors Center

561 Blankenbaker Ln 40207

phone 502/897-9845

web www.locustgrove.org

email lghh@locustgrove.org



Riverside, The Farnsley-Moremén Landing

*Visitors Center and/or
Open-Air Pavilion*
7410 Moorman Rd 40272

phone 502/935-6809

web www.riverside-landing.org

email info@riverside-landing.org

www.metro-parks.org



Metro Parks offers a wide variety of facilities for every occasion, from weddings and picnics to neighborhood meetings and corporate functions. Rates for registered non-profit organizations are available at most sites. Contact Metro Parks customer service staff for rates and terms of use.

Lodges and Pavilions

phone 502/368-5865

email parkpermits@louisvilleky.gov

Where better to hold a family reunion or company picnic than in a park? Metro Parks offers four lodges and more than 60 picnic shelters that can be reserved for anywhere from \$35 to \$250 per day, depending on each facility's size and amenities. Call or go online for the cost and location of each picnic pavilion; lodge rates are listed below.

Lodge Reservations

Chickasaw Park

\$250 public • \$175 non-profit

George Rogers Clark Park

\$250 public • \$175 non-profit

Shawnee Park • Golf Clubhouse

\$250 public • \$175 non-profit

Victory Park

\$125 public • \$100 non-profit

Special Events

phone 502/368-5865

email parkpermits@louisvilleky.gov

Metro Parks has 123 locations for all your outdoor events! Contact our staff at least two weeks before your event to obtain a permit. Other services – including bleachers, picnic tables, electrical boxes, and vending permits – are also available for a fee.

Event Permit Fees

0-249 attendees

\$225 public • \$175 non-profit

250-499 attendees

\$275 public • \$225 non-profit

500+ attendees

\$500 public • \$350 non-profit

Impact to area determines fees for additional activities at event.

Community Center Meeting Rooms and Gyms

Contact a community center to schedule affordable rentals for your next meeting, social event or private athletic event. A list of Metro Parks community centers is on pages 13 and 14.

Hourly Rates

Meeting Rooms

\$50 public • \$35 non-profit

Gymnasiums

During operating hours:

\$30 public and non-profit

Before/after operating hours:

\$40 public and non-profit

Athletic Fields

phone 502/368-5865

email parkpermits@louisvilleky.gov

Outdoor athletic fields are available throughout the year. Most fields can be reserved by the general public for games and practices, although non-profit groups operate some fields exclusively under franchise agreements. Metro Parks offers a pricing structure that can fit your practice, single game, or league needs. All fields – with the exception of a small number of fields reserved for games only – may be enjoyed by the public for informal use on a first-come, first-served basis, provided that the field has not been reserved and the users are not charging a fee to any participants. Call or go online for locations and pricing.

Iroquois Amphitheater Olmsted Room



In the News at Metro Parks

The Fifty and Over Games: It Isn't Over!

The **2010 50 and Over Games** will be held May 15 through 23, 2010. The games are sponsored by Louisville Metro Parks and competitions include basketball, bowling, cycling, golf, racquetball, softball, tennis, track and field, and more! There will also be some prep events in 2010 to help seniors who will be playing get ready for the competition!

Please contact us for more on the upcoming games. Bobby Merideth, Metro Parks Senior Services Manager, will be happy to fill you in. Call him at 502/574-2646 or 502/574-2831 for more information. Also, check our website at www.metro-parks.org for information on registration, which is expected to begin in April.

An Incredible Golf Deal

Louisville's nine public golf courses offer a quality golfing experience at some of the most affordable prices in the nation. Each course has its own unique character, and among them are some that consistently rank among Kentucky's best and most challenging courses.



For the first time, Metro Parks is selling **Golf Trail Passes**, for only \$25. They offer discounts on rounds, lessons and club fittings, as well as free driving range tokens and more. You may purchase the passes at your favorite Metro Parks course. Call 502/456-8134, or email the golf desk for more information.

For its low price, the pass offers savings of up to \$2,300 during the 2010 golfing season. It is a great investment for those just taking up the game, or for golfers looking to shave a few extra strokes off their final scores!

Olmsted Parkways Get a Healthy Dose of New Trees

Mayor Jerry Abramson announced in December that Metro Parks is currently planting **319 new trees** along the 15-mile parkway system that was originally designed by famed landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted Sr. The non-profit Olmsted Parks Conservancy contributed \$26,000 for this year's tree-planting effort, with Metro Parks providing the labor.

Through Abramson's Community of Trees initiative, Metro Parks is planting 30 percent more trees this year on parkways than they did the year before.

The department plants a diverse stock of trees in parks and along parkways, to minimize the impact of diseases and infestations that can affect individual tree species. This year, Metro Parks is planting 31 species, including red maple, sugar maple, swamp white oak, overcup oak, black gum, sweet gum and pecan.

Metro Parks removed 103 trees from the Olmsted Parkways in 2009 because of storm damage, age and disease. At the end of the current planting season, there should be 5,425 trees along the 15-mile parkway system – more trees than any period in recent history.



We're Working for You!

Ken Parker

Ken Parker moved from Rome, N.Y. to Louisville five years ago to live with his new bride and ended up finding a satisfying career with Metro Parks.

As a Park Supervisor II over the Joe Creason Park Maintenance District, Parker is responsible for a crew of 12 that maintains 31 properties across the district.

"We maintain everything from traffic islands, community centers, to Joe Creason Park itself," Parker says. "When we had the ice storm [in January 2009], they went above and beyond to make sure everything was back to normal again. They hung in there and did a great job."

When he's not at work, Parker enjoys spending time with family, including his eight grandchildren, and his two German Shepherds, Lady and Max.

For Parker, an ex-Marine, the opportunity to work for Metro Parks meant enjoying his surroundings while doing so. "The last place you'll find me is in the office, unless it's at the end of the day," said Parker, an avid fisherman. "I love the outdoors, and I love the parks."



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Make a Splash!

Metro Parks offers year-round swimming and fitness opportunities at the indoor Mary T. Meagher Aquatic Center, and operates 4 outdoor summer pools. The Aquatic Center offers lap swim, water exercise and swim lessons, as well as a weight room with Cybex, free weight and cardio equipment. All Metro Parks swimming pool facilities are smoke-free.

Mary T. Meagher Aquatic Center

Crescent Hill Park
201 Reservoir Ave 40206
phone 502/897-9949
fax 502/897-2549
email parks@louisvilleky.gov

Fall Hours

Mon-Fri 5 a.m.-9 p.m.
Sat 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Pools close 15 minutes earlier than building.

Admission

Ages 3 to 12 \$3
Ages 13 and older \$5.50
Therapy Pool \$3.50/1 hour



Membership

Monthly Individual \$45
Monthly Family \$75
Monthly Senior \$38.50
Monthly Senior Family \$55
Yearly Individual \$355
Yearly Family \$520
Yearly Senior \$320
Yearly Senior Family \$470

Swim Lessons

Weekday and weekend swim lessons are available for infants, toddlers, children and adults, as well as classes for Pre/Post Natal, Cardiac Club, Water Walking, Yoga, Stroke Clinic and M.S. and related conditions.

ID Policy

Patrons 9 and older must have an ID to enter a Metro Parks swimming



pool. IDs can be made at the Mary T. Meagher Aquatic Center during regular pool hours. The cost is \$4 per ID. Proof of name and address must be provided.

Children

Children under 8 must be accompanied by a guardian 12 or older.

Accessibility

Chair lifts for persons with disabilities are available. If you require a specific accommodation, call 897-9949.

FEATURED PROGRAMS

Go to www.metro-parks.org or visit the facility for a full schedule

We're Making a Racket

Louisville Tennis Center

in Joe Creason Park
3783 Illinois Avenue 40213
phone 502/456-8140
email pete.mcgrath@louisvilleky.gov

Hours

Mon-Fri 8 a.m.-9 p.m.
Sat 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sun 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

LTC Court Fees

Weeknights/Saturday a.m. \$20/hour
Off-peak \$14/hour

The Louisville Tennis Center, named the 2008 USTA Kentucky Tennis Facility of the Year, is situated between the Louisville Zoo and the Bluegrass Nature Preserve, in Joe Creason Park on Trevilian Way. The Tennis Center is the most historic facility of its kind in Kentucky. Arthur Ashe, Rod Laver, Jimmy Connors, Billie Jean King and John McEnroe are just a few of the greats



who have competed there.

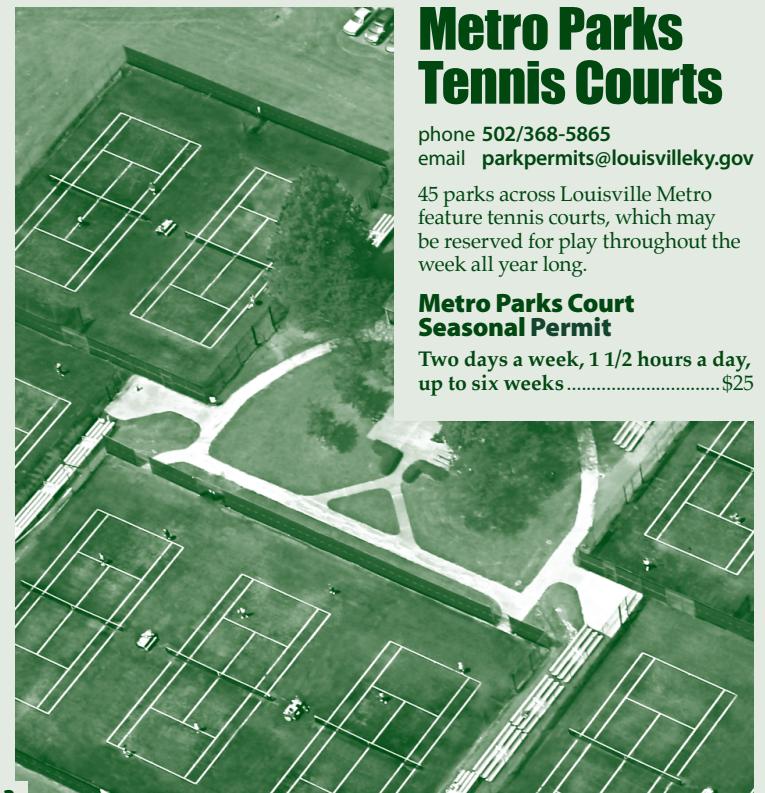
The Center has 11 of the finest clay courts in the region, and can seat more

than 400 comfortably. The facility is open to the public, and the courts can be reserved based on availability.

The Tennis Center's courts are completely enclosed, and its clubhouse features separate locker rooms and showers. An outdoor grill and picnic area may be reserved by players.

The Center opens for the season on May 1, offering clinics, camps, leagues and lessons May through October. The rest of the year, Center staff moves indoors for its programming.

For more information, visit www.louisvilleky.gov/MetroParks/outdoors/louisvilletenniscenter/.



Metro Parks Tennis Courts

phone 502/368-5865
email parkpermits@louisvilleky.gov

45 parks across Louisville Metro feature tennis courts, which may be reserved for play throughout the week all year long.

Metro Parks Court Seasonal Permit

Two days a week, 1 1/2 hours a day, up to six weeks \$25

100% Natural

Connect with nature through hikes, strolls, and exploration at the largest property in the Metro Parks system, Jefferson Memorial Forest. It features 35 miles of marked hiking trails, and has a nature center with adventurous nature programs for both kids and adults.

In addition to public programs, the Forest can also customize nature education, adventure and team-building programs for your school, club or company. You can take advantage of all these programs, hold corporate, civic and social events, or schedule meetings away from the noise of the city in their conference facility.

Jefferson Memorial Forest

The nation's largest municipal urban forest, with more than 6,000 acres, offers a monthly schedule of programs that includes: outdoor skills classes, bird-watching, guided hikes during daylight and night, hikes for dogs (and their owners!), gardening, family campouts and more. The forest's education staff also leads nature programs for pre-schoolers on the first Tuesday of each month. The park features a primitive campground. Reservations are required for all programs. Programs with fewer than 5 registrations are subject to cancellation.

11311 Mitchell Hill Rd
Fairdale, KY 40118

phone 502/368-5404

web www.memorialforest.com

email forest@louisvilleky.gov

10 marked trails • 35 miles

Hiking, horseback riding, wheelchairs

Campgrounds

Conference Center

Environmental Education Center • With bird blind

Fishing Lake

Picnic shelters

Playground

Teams Course • Featuring Alpine Tower

Multiple Volunteer Opportunities

Directions

From I-65 take Gene Snyder Freeway west. Exit at New Cut Rd, turn left, go one mile and turn right onto Mitchell Hill Road. Follow the signs to the Forest.

🌿 **FEATURED PROGRAMS**

See pages 7 and 8, go to www.memorialforest.com, or visit the park for a full schedule



Seniors

Metro Parks Senior Services offers a variety of social and athletic programs for senior citizens, including dances, card games and group outings to local events. These services are expanding in 2009 to include monthly social events open to the public at area community centers. These monthly events will keep senior citizens active - and allow them to make new friends along the way!

Senior Services Office
[Flaget Field Senior Center in Flaget Field Park]
4425 Greenwood Ave 40211

phone 502/574-2646 • 502/574-2831

Wilderness Road Senior Center
8111 Blue Lick Rd 40219

phone 502/964-5151

🌿 **FEATURED PROGRAMS**

See pages 7 and 8, go to www.metro-parks.org or visit the facilities for a full schedule



Environmental Education



Louisville ECHO (Louisville is Engaging CHildren Outdoors) is Metro Parks' signature environmental education initiative and is managed by staff based at Jefferson Memorial Forest. Louisville ECHO provides fourth grade students at area elementary schools with meaningful experiences to help these students develop a closer relationship with their environment.

The program takes students to local parks - including Shawnee, Chickasaw and the Portland Wharf - along with the 6,191-acre Jefferson Memorial Forest and the Red River Gorge National Geologic Area located within the Daniel Boone National Forest. Many of the children participating in the program have had limited experiences in forest, meadow or riparian environments and Louisville ECHO gives these students experiences that past generations of children have taken for granted as a part of growing up. Under Louisville ECHO, Environmental education is provided to all fourth grade students in Portland, King, Young and Cane Run elementary schools in west Louisville.

In 2008, Metro Parks was one of 16 national recipients of a grant from the U.S. Forest Service, through their "More Kids in the Woods" program, which provides seed money to development programs that connect children with nature. Louisville Metro Parks Foundation is seeking financial support for this vital program, and those who wish to help to can contact 502/456-1857.

Metro Parks' partners for the 2009-2010 school year include: Toyota Georgetown, District 1 Councilwoman Judith Green, First Hand Learning, Jefferson County Public Schools, Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District, Olmsted Parks Conservancy, USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service and the U.S. Forest Service, Daniel Boone National Forest.

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Making Strides

Hiking

Cherokee Park*
745 Cochran Hill Rd 40206

Fern Creek Park
8703 Ferndale Rd 40291

Iroquois Park*
2120 Rundill Rd 40214

Jefferson Memorial Forest
11311 Mitchell Hill Rd 40118
phone 368-5404

35 miles of trails, plus a paved disability-accessible trail.

Hays Kennedy Park
7303 Beachland Beech Rd 40059
phone 583-3060

Trails in Garvin Brown Preserve managed by River Fields.

McNeely Lake Park
10500 Cedar Creek Rd 40229

Charlie Vettiner Park*
5550 Charlie Vettiner Park Rd 40299

Waverly Park
4800 Waverly Park Rd 40214

*Unmarked trails



Cross Country

Champions Park
2930 River Rd 40206
3.1 miles

Joe Creason Park
1297 Trevilian Way 40213
3.1 to 6.2 miles

Seneca Park
3151 Pee Wee Reese Rd 40207
3.1 Miles

Walking and Exercise

Algonquin Park
1614 Cypress St 40210
0.25 mile, walking

Beargrass Creek Greenway
2001 Lexington Rd 40206
1.33 miles, multi-use

Blue Lick Park
4114 Mudd Ln 40229
.25 mile, walking

Butchertown Greenway
From Brownsboro Road to River Rd
0.5 mile, multi-use

On the 18-hole Metro Parks golf courses, cart paths on the back nine holes are open to walkers and joggers weekdays from 6 to 8 a.m.
See page 6 for locations.

Camp Taylor Memorial Park
4201 Lee Ave 40213

Cane Run Road Park
4816 Cane Run Rd 40216
0.75 mile, walking

Cherokee Park
745 Cochran Hill Rd 40206
Baringer Path • 0.6 mile, multi-use
Scenic Loop • 2.4 miles, multi-use
Willow Pond • 0.375 mile, walking

Chickasaw Park
1200 Southwestern Pkwy 40211
1 mile, fitness

Carrie Gaubert Cox Park
3730 River Rd 40207
1 mile, multi-use

Joe Creason Park
1297 Trevilian Way 40213
Park Loop • 1.5 miles, multi-use
Newburg-Illinois • 0.875 mile, multi-use
Newburg Loop • 0.5 mile, multi-use

Des Pres Park
4709 Lowe Rd 40220
0.5 mile, walking

Flaget Field Park
4425 Greenwood Ave 40211
0.25 mile, walking

Highview Park
7201 Outer Loop 40228
0.33 mile, walking

Iroquois Park
2120 Rundill Rd 40214
New Cut Road • 1.6 miles, multi-use
● Rundill Rd • 3.5 miles, multi-use
Summit Hill • 0.25 mile, walking
Toppill Road • 0.5 mile, multi-use
Uppill Road • 1.5 miles, multi-use

Jefferson Memorial Forest
11311 Mitchell Hill Rd 40118
Tom Wallace Recreation Area
• 0.25 mile, walking

Hays Kennedy Park
7303 Beachland Beech Rd 40059
0.75 mile, walking

Klondike Park
3809 Klondike Ln 40218
0.33 mile, walking

Long Run Park
1605 Flat Rock Rd 40245
1.7 miles, multi-use

Ohio River Levee Trail
From Farnsley-Moremen Landing to north of Riverview Park
6.5 miles, multi-use

Petersburg Park
5008 E Indian Tr 40218
0.35 mile, walking

RiverWalk
From Fourth St and River Rd to Chickasaw Park
Paved path crosses Chickasaw, Lannan and Shawnee Parks
• 6.9 miles, multi-use

Roberson Run Walking Path
8205 Judge Blvd 40219
0.5 mile, multi-use

Seneca Park
3151 Pee Wee Reese Rd 40207
● 1.2 miles, walking

Shawnee Park
4501 W Broadway 40211
● 1.3 miles, multi-use

Shelby Park
600 East Oak St 40203
0.6 mile, walking

South Central Park
2400 Colorado Ave 40208
0.33 mile, walking

Southern Parkway Bridle Path
Western Side
2.6 miles, multi-use

Thurman Hutchins Park
3734 River Rd 40207
● 0.8 mile, walking

Tyler Park
1501 Castlewood Ave 40204
0.125 mile, walking

Upper River Road Path
From Zorn Ave to Indian Hills Tr
1.125 miles, multi-use

Charlie Vettiner Park
5550 Charlie Vettiner Park Rd 40299
0.25 mile, fitness

Victory Park
1051 South 23rd St 40210
0.4 mile, walking

Watterson Lake
1714 S Wheatmore Dr 40215
0.25 mile, walking

Wyandotte Park
1104 Beecher St 40215
0.25 mile, walking



The Mayor's Miles

Several parks are home to the Mayor's Miles, green dots along our exercise paths to help you track your progress. 10 green dots equal one Mayor's Mile!



Par for the Course

Metro Parks' top-ranked courses are open seven days a week, barring occasional closures or weather restrictions.

Each course has a men's, women's and junior's association. Memberships fund tournaments, USGA handicaps, and other events. When possible, golfers who can't afford fees may perform work at a course to earn play privileges.

Flat-soled shoes, tennis, and plastic soft-spike shoes are allowed at all Metro Parks golf facilities. No spikes, cleats or athletic shoes are allowed.

If you are planning a company or charity outing, our courses combine affordable rates with excellent amenities and service. Contact one of our golf professionals; they can help you plan all the details.

Cherokee Golf Course
2501 Alexander Rd 40204

phone 502/458-9450

pro **Greg Basham, PGA**

Crescent Hill Golf Course
3110 Brownsboro Rd 40206

phone 502/896-9193

pro **Barry Bonifield, PGA**

Iroquois Golf Course
1501 Rundill Rd 40214

phone 502/363-9520

pro **Paul Schuchard, PGA**

Long Run Golf Course
1605 Flat Rock Rd 40245

phone 502/245-9015

pro **George "Moe" Demling, PGA**

Course includes The First Tee of Louisville, youth golf instruction.

Bobby Nichols Golf Course
[next to Waverly Park]

4301 East Pages Ln 40272

phone 502/937-9051

pro **George Johnson, PGA tour**

Seneca Golf Course
2300 Pee Wee Reese Rd 40205

phone 502/458-9298

pro **Kevin Greenwell, PGA**

Shawnee Golf Course
460 Northwestern Pkwy 40212

phone 502/776-9389

pro **Craig S. Heibert, PGA**

Course includes BellSouth Youth Golf Academy, free to ages 18 and under, and The First Tee of Louisville youth golf instruction.



Shawnee Golf Course

Sun Valley Golf Course
6505 Bethany Ln 40272

phone 502/937-9228

pro **Barry Basham, PGA**

Charlie Vettiner Golf Course
10207 Mary Dell Ln 40299

phone 502/267-9958

pro **Mark Kemper, PGA**

FEATURED PROGRAMS

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Athletics

phone 502/456-8173

fax 502/456-8168

email athletics@louisvilleky.gov

Metro Parks offers seasonal leagues in these sports:

- ✦ Adult men's basketball
- ✦ Adult co-ed flag football
- ✦ Adult men's flag football
- ✦ Adult co-ed kickball
- ✦ Adult men's softball
- ✦ Adult co-ed softball

Metro Parks employees will do all they can to help your group organize a league or tournament or take part in a clinic. In-person registration is strongly encouraged, and league fees, by cash or check, are due at registration.

Metro Parks reserves the right to cancel a league and refund fees for lack of participation.

You may call for Athletics information weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For information about Metro Parks basketball leagues call 502/456-8117.

FEATURED PROGRAMS

See pages 7 and 8, call, or go to www.metro-parks.org for a full schedule



Metro Parks Calendar of Events

This is a select list of events and programs held at Metro Parks sites this season. Call the facility or office responsible for more information on prices, rain dates, etc., or to learn about other programs.

February

Youth Mosaics Metro Arts Center

Wed, Feb 3-Mar 19
4:30-5:30 p.m.

Learn to make a mosaic using stained glass with Robin Plank. Ages 8-14. Fee: \$55

Fifty & Over Valentine Party Portland Comm Center

Thu, Feb 4
10:30 a.m.

Games, food & music will be served up as we celebrate this special Holiday with some of our favorite friends.

29th Annual KSB/Metro Parks Valentine's Dance

Adapted Leisure Activities

Thu, Feb 11
7-9 p.m.

Held at Kentucky School for the Blind, 1867 Frankfort Ave. Fun for those with disabilities, their friends and families. Ages 15 and older. Fee: \$5/ person

Valentine Candlelit Hike and Dessert

Jefferson Memorial Forest

Fri & Sat, Feb 12 & 13
7:30-9:30 p.m.

Do something different! Take a candlelit hike through the forest, then enjoy gourmet desserts and hot drinks by the fire in the Forest Manor House. \$25/couple

Basic Skills Teen Baking Class Newburg Comm Center

Every Wed
3:30-5:30 p.m.

Teens can learn their way around the kitchen and cook healthy meals. Free

Olmsted Parks Conservancy Volunteer Project

Iroquois Park

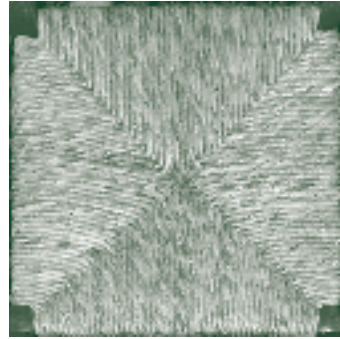
Sat, Feb 13
9 a.m.-Noon

Meet in Amphitheater parking lot.

Chair Rushing Workshop Locust Grove

Sat,
Feb 20

Learn to repair old chairs, or rush new ones. Call for fee



Morning at the Movies: *Hotel for Dogs*

Adapted Leisure Activities

Thu, Feb 25
10 a.m.-Noon

Held at Douglass Comm Center. Fun for those with disabilities, their friends and families. Ages 18 and older. Fee: \$1

Great Balls of Fire Fifty & Over Billiards Tournament Beechmont Comm Center

Fri, Feb 26
10a.m.

Munchies will be served and trophies will be given. Fee: \$2

March

Fifty & Over Games Registration

Begins
in March
2010

Sign up for this popular seniors' event, held in May and including 15 different activities. There will be competitions in golf, bowling, corn toss, track and field, basketball, tennis, racquetball, table tennis, billiards, and more, plus a closing banquet. Last year was our biggest yet!



Spring/Summer Co-Ed Kickball League

Camp Taylor and Seneca Parks

Registration
Mar 1-Apr 2

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday evening games begin week of May 3, for adults 18 and older. Fee: \$325/team

Spring/Summer Mens and Co-Ed Flag Football Leagues Thurman Hutchins Park

Registration
Mar 1-Apr 2

Sunday and Thursday evening games begin week of May 3, for adults 18 and older. Fee \$325/team

Spring/Summer Men's, Women's and Co-Ed Softball League

Camp Taylor, Highview and Seneca Parks

Registration
Mar 1-Apr 2

Games begin week of May 3, for adults ages 18 and older. Promotes exercise in a fun and competitive environment. Fee: \$375/team

Fifty & Over FunFest Starting at Sun Valley Comm Center March 2-5

10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

This weeklong celebration is just a sampler of the fun and games that Metro Parks offers. Visit four community Centers - Sun Valley, Douglass, Beechmont and South Louisville - in four days, at no cost! There will be friendly competitions, music and refreshments. Free

Hip Hop Dance Team Newburg Comm Center

Every Tue, 3-5 p.m. and
Sat, Noon-2 p.m.

For ages 11 to 17. Free

Youth Drawing Metro Arts Center

Sat, Mar 6-27,
1-2 p.m.

Explore drawing media and methods, with Shelby Morgan and Marty Edlin. Fee: \$45

Hand-Building Ceramics Adapted Leisure Activities

Tue, Mar 9, 16, 23, 30
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Held at Douglass Comm Center. Fun for those with disabilities, their friends and families. Ages 16 and older. Fee: \$20/person

Preschool Art: Spring Metro Arts Center

Tue, Mar 9-30,
12:30-1:15 p.m.

Children explore their creativity, with Karen Wyssbrod. Fee: \$25

Used Book Sale Locust Grove

Fri-Sun, March 12-14
10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

St. Patrick's Day Dance Adapted Leisure Activities

Wed, Mar 17
10:30 a.m.-Noon

Held at Douglass Comm Center. Fun for those with disabilities, their friends and families. Ages 15 and older. Fee: \$1/person

Natural Areas Community Cleanup/X-Stream Cleanup Jefferson Memorial Forest

Sat, Mar 27,
9 a.m.-Noon

The Forest needs your help in correcting the thoughtlessness of those who have left litter and debris along its roads and beside Bee Lick Creek.

Olmsted Parks Conservancy Volunteer Project Chickasaw Park

Sat, Mar 27
9 a.m.-Noon

Meet in parking lot near Main Lodge.

April

Preschool Swim Lessons

Mary T. Meagher Aquatic Center

Mon & Wed,
Apr 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28
6-6:30 p.m./6:35-7:05 p.m.

Levels 1 and 2, for ages 3 to 5. Additional sessions offered all season. Fee: \$37.50

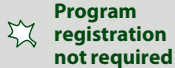
Adult Swim Lessons

Mary T. Meagher Aquatic Center

Mon, Apr 12-17
7:40-8:20

For all levels, ages 16 and older. Additional sessions offered throughout the season. Fee: \$42.50

Metro Parks Calendar of Events



Program
registration
not required



Program
registration
required

Contact info available
on this page:

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Revolutionary War Encampment: Eighteenth Century Thunder

Locust Grove

Sat & Sun, April 17 & 18
10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Fee: \$6/adult, \$3/child



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Olmsted Parks Conservancy Walk in the Park: Get the Dirt on Soil!

Cherokee Park

Sat, Apr 17
10 a.m.-Noon

Celebrate Earth Day and get the dirt on
soil! Meet near Baringer Hill Pavilion.
Free



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Riverside Plant Sale Riverside, the Farnsley- Moremen Landing

Sat & Sun,
April 17-18

Perfect spring gifts or garden starters.



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Senior Body Shaping South Louisville Comm Center

Every Tue & Fri
10-10:30 a.m.

Become more healthy, in a friendly
community atmosphere. Free



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ACA Moving Water Canoe Training

Jefferson Memorial Forest

Sat, Apr 24
9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Learn to paddle on moving water.
Level II training, for ages 12 and older.
Fee: \$25/person



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Derby Brunch On the River Riverside, the Farnsley- Moremen Landing

Sun, April 25
11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.



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May

Fifteenth Annual Gardeners' Fair

Locust Grove

Fri-Sun, May 7, 8 & 9
10 a.m.-5 p.m.

70 vendors, a silent auction and Mother's
Day brunch will be highlights of this
popular event. Fee: \$5/adult, \$3/child



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Olmsted Parks Conservancy Volunteer Project Cherokee Park

Sat, May 15
9 a.m.-Noon

Meet in parking lot at Lexington and
Ledge Roads.



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Forest Fest

Forest Fest Jefferson Memorial Forest

Sat, May 15,
11 a.m.-6 p.m.

Dailey and Vincent will headline our
sixth annual Forest Fest, the best blue-
grass festival in Louisville. There will
be terrific music, interesting crafts, great
food and family fun in a beautiful setting!



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Ongoing

All contact info for the centers
under this heading may be
found on pages 13 and 14.

Co-Ed Archery

Newburg Comm Center
Saturdays, 10 a.m.-Noon
Ages 10-17.

Senior Citizen Nutrition Program

Shawnee Comm Center
Mondays-Fridays,
9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Ceramics

Shelby Park Comm Center
Wednesdays, 6-7 p.m.

Wheelchair Basketball

Portland Comm Center
Tuesdays, 6:30-9 p.m.

Buddies for Seniors

Baxter Comm Center
2nd & 4th Tuesdays,
Noon-2 p.m.

Senior Body Shaping

South Louisville Comm Center
Tue & Thu, 10 am, \$5/5 classes

Homework Help & Tutoring

Parkhill Comm Center
Teens, Tue-Fri, 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Kids, Tue-Fri, 4:30 p.m.

Co-Ed Softball

Southwick Comm Center
Wednesdays,
5:30-6:30 p.m.

Karate

California Comm Center
Mondays, Wed, 6-8 p.m.

Creative Kids

Sun Valley Comm Center
Tuesdays, 6:15 p.m.

Teen Weight Training

Beechmont Comm Center
Fridays, 4-5 p.m.

Seniors Program

Portland Comm Center
Tuesdays, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Walking Club

South Louisville Comm Center
Tue-Thu, 9:30 a.m.-Noon and 6-7
p.m., Sat 10 a.m.-Noon

Women Fifty and Over Open Basketball

Cyril Allgeier Comm Center
Thursdays, 6-8 p.m.



Crafty Kids

Baxter Comm Center
Mondays, 4-6 p.m.

LINKS Program

Parkhill Comm Center
Wed, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Girls Talk

Shawnee Comm Center
Thursdays, 6-7 p.m.

Basic Cooking Skills Class

Newburg Comm Center
Wednesdays, 5-6:30 p.m.

Southwest Center for Children With Disabilities

Sylvania Comm Center
Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.-Noon

Dance Team

Shelby Park Comm Center
Tuesdays, Wednesdays &
Thursdays, 5-7 p.m.

Kiddie Kitchen

Southwick Comm Center
Tuesdays & Thursdays,
5:30-7 p.m.

11-18 Intra-Center Basketball League

Baxter Comm Center
Mondays-Thursdays
6-8 p.m.

Karate

Portland Comm Center
Mondays & Wednesdays,
6-8:45 p.m.



Beechmont Community Center



Play, Create, Learn

There are numerous arts resources and programs available to you through Metro Parks - from pottery to guitar playing and theater classes. Partnerships with organizations such as The Kentucky Center, Louisville Orchestra, Louisville Visual Art Association and others make these resources possible. Metro Parks is committed to providing quality and diverse arts programming for everyone.

Arts Programming

phone 502/933-5611

email portia.muhammad@louisvilleky.gov

Metro Arts Center

8360 Dixie Hwy 40258

phone 502/937-2055

email metroarts@louisvilleky.gov

Mon-Thu 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Fri & Sat..... 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

FEATURED PROGRAMS

See pages 7 and 8 or go to www.metro-parks.org or visit one of our facilities for a full schedule.



Everyone Can Have Fun Here!



Adapted Leisure Activities offers activities for individuals with mental and/or physical disabilities and their friends and families. Programs include wheelchair basketball, aqua exercise, bowling, dances, assisted shopping and more. The Adapted Leisure staff also works with other Metro Parks programs to ensure people with disabilities can participate in recreation activities.

Adapted Leisure Activities

2305 Douglass Blvd #3 40205

phone 502/456-8148

web www.metro-parks.org
click Recreation

email aleisure@louisvilleky.gov

Mon-Fri.....8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

FEATURED PROGRAMS

See pages 7 and 8, go to www.metro-parks.org or visit the facility for a full schedule



Olmsted Parks

Cherokee Park



OLMSTED PARKS
RESTORE • ENHANCE • PRESERVE

Olmsted Parks Conservancy

1299 Trevilian Way
Post Office Box 37280 40233-7280

phone 502/456-8125
web www.olmstedparks.org
email info@olmstedparks.org

As a nonprofit partner with Metro Parks, Olmsted Parks Conservancy restores, enhances and preserves one of Louisville's most valued treasures, the historic Olmsted parks and parkways. Be a member of the Conservancy and support the future of these parks. Go to www.olmstedparks.org, or call 456-8125 for more information about how you can help!

FEATURED ACTIVITIES

See pages 7 and 8, go to www.olmstedparks.org, or call 502/456-8125 for a full schedule

Volunteer!

Spend one day a year or a few hours each month taking part in our volunteer program. Volunteer opportunities are available throughout the year. Contact Sarah Wolff at sarah.wolff@olmstedparks.org or 456-8125 for more information.

Walk in the Park

Olmsted Parks Conservancy invites you to enjoy a beautiful, educational walk in one of our historic parks. To register, go to www.olmstedparks.org or call 456-8125. Call early, limited space available!

Historic Homes

Riverside, The Farnsley-Moremen Landing

7410 Moorman Rd 40272

phone 502/935-6809
web www.riverside-landing.org
email info@riverside-landing.org

Tue-Sat..... 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Sun..... 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

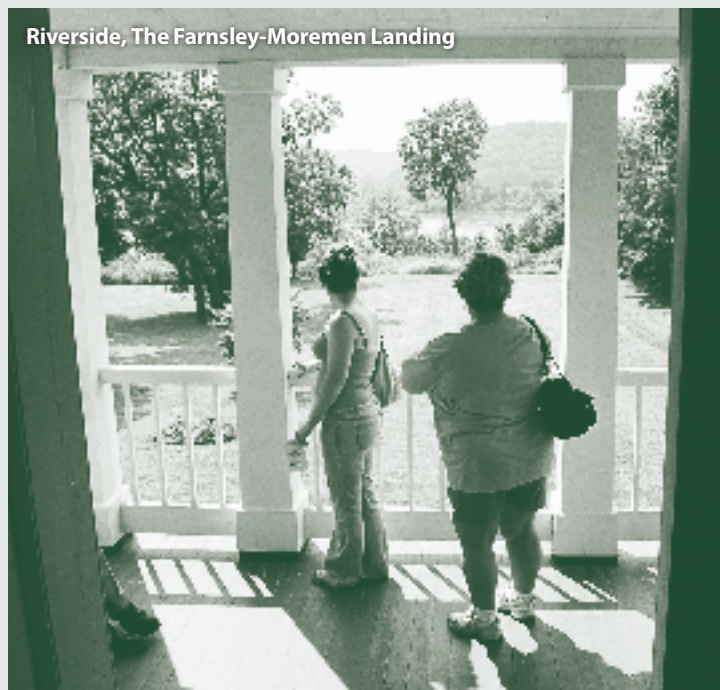
Riverside, the Farnsley-Moremen Landing, is a 300-acre historic farm on the Ohio River. The centerpiece of the site is the restored 1837 Farnsley-Moremen house. In the 19th century travelers stopped here to trade, take on fuel and rest. Visitors today tour the house and its historic grounds. The house acknowledges both families who called it home during the 1800s: builder Gabriel Farnsley and Israel and Nannie Moremen and their family.

FEATURED PROGRAMS

See pages 7 and 8, go to www.riverside-landing.org, or visit the facility for a full schedule

RIVERSIDE
THE FARNSELEY-MOREMEN LANDING

Riverside, The Farnsley-Moremen Landing



Locust Grove

561 Blankenbaker Ln 40207

phone 502/897-9845
web www.locustgrove.org
email lghh@locustgrove.org

Mon-Sat..... 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Sun..... 1-4:30 p.m.

Locust Grove was built circa 1790 by William Croghan, a veteran of the Revolutionary War who married General George Rogers Clark's sister Lucy. After an accident, Clark came to live at the farm in 1809.

Locust Grove sits on 55 acres and includes gardens, woodlands, outbuildings and a visitor center with gallery and store. The site is accredited by the American Association of Museums and is on the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail.

FEATURED PROGRAMS

See pages 7 and 8, go to www.locustgrove.org, or visit the facility for a full schedule



www.metro-parks.org

Fishing

Volunteers

Chickasaw Park



River Frontage

Eva Bandman Park
1701 River Rd 40206

Chickasaw Park
1200 Southwestern Pkwy 40211

Carrie Gaulbert Cox Park
3730 River Rd 40207

Accessible pier, boat ramp

Hays Kennedy Park
7303 Beachland Beech Rd 40059
Access by Garvin Brown Preserve

Kulmer Reserve Park
17200 Kulmer Beach Rd 40177

Riverview Park
8202 Greenwood Rd 40258
Boat ramp

Shawnee Park
4501 W Broadway 40211

Fishing

Cherokee Park
745 Cochran Hill Rd 40206

4.6 acre lake with accessible pier

Chickasaw Park
1200 Southwestern Pkwy 40211
1.6 acre lake - catch and release only

Fisherman's Park
5607 Old Heady Rd 40299
8 lakes, 15.2 acres total

Iroquois Park
2120 Rundill Rd 40214
1.1 acre lake

Jefferson Memorial Forest
Tom Wallace Lake
off Mitchell Hill Rd 40118
5.4 acre lake with accessible pier

Long Run Park
1605 Flat Rock Rd 40245
28.7 acre lake with boat ramp

McNeely Lake Park
10500 Cedar Creek Rd 40229
46.2 acre lake with accessible pier
and boat ramp

William F. Miles Park
15712 Shelbyville Rd 40245
4 lakes, 12.5 acres total

Thurman Hutchins Park
3734 River Rd 402007
Accessible pier

Charlie Vettiner Park
5550 Charlie Vettiner Park Rd 40299
1.2 acre lake

Watterson Lake Park
1714 S Wheatmore Dr 40215
4.1 acre lake with accessible pier

Waverly Park
4800 Waverly Park Rd 40214
5.3 acre lake

Fishing Lake Rules & Laws

- ✱ Eating fish from these lakes may be harmful to your health.
- ✱ Fisherman's, Jefferson Memorial Forest, Cherokee and William F. Miles lakes may be stocked with rainbow trout, which require a Trout Permit to catch and keep.
- ✱ Obey posted fishing hours.
- ✱ Electric motors are permitted. Gasoline motors are allowed in the Ohio River, but not on lakes.
- ✱ A valid Kentucky fishing license is required.
- ✱ Many parks are stocked with grass carp. Carp are vital to lake ecology and must be returned after being caught.
- ✱ No trotlines are permitted.
- ✱ No fishing from dams or spillways.
- ✱ Do not put fish caught elsewhere into these lakes.
- ✱ Please be good stewards of these lakes and surroundings. Clean up debris such as cans and waste from cleaning fish.

Fishing licenses may be purchased at retail outlets, bait and tackle shops and stores selling fishing equipment.

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife stocks Metro Parks lakes. For information on Kentucky's water recreation laws, call them at 800/858-1549.



Grass Carp

Be The Change

Volunteer with Metro Parks

Volunteers involved in maintaining and enhancing our system help Louisville's mission of being a City of Parks where people play, learn, grow, and be healthy. Participation isn't only a vital component of a healthy community, it's also fun!

Adopt-A-Park

The Mayor's Adopt-a-Park Program is a great way for businesses, neighborhood associations, places of worship and school groups to be involved in maintaining our community's 123 parks on an ongoing basis. Groups do routine, self-directed services - from litter and limb pickup to approved projects like painting and mulching - with supervision from Metro Parks staff.

Individuals

Opportunities for individuals include gardening and giving tours at a historic home, tutoring, teaching or coaching at a community center, helping out with Senior programs,

and assisting with naturalist programs in Natural Areas (see below).

Groups

Opportunities for groups include one-day projects, from mulching, invasive plant removal and trail maintenance, to major improvements to parks, community centers, pools and other facilities.

Metro Parks Needs You!

Information about how to get involved may be found online at www.metro-parks.org. Visit the "Volunteer Opportunities" and "Get Involved" pages. You'll find descriptions of the Mayor's Adopt-A-Park program, a Volunteer Opportunity directory, application forms, preapproved one-day or short-term group projects, and instructions on how to schedule projects.

You may contact Metro Parks with questions on volunteer activities at 502/456-8100, or via email at parksvc@louisvilleky.gov.

Volunteer News

In 2009, over 3000 people donated more than 25,000 hours, well over \$500,000 in donated service to Metro Parks. From all of us at Metro Parks, **thank you** to all the volunteers who help make Louisville a City of Parks!

On November 13, we had our second annual Volunteer Appreciation Party at Sun Valley Community Center. Special thanks to party sponsors Shiraz Mediterranean Grill and Heine Brothers Coffee.

Congratulations to Dick Mix, who was named Volunteer of the Year at the party. Other winners included Honored Volunteers John Buchenberger, at Jefferson Memorial Forest; Nancy Lee, Locust Grove; Tina Newcomb, Jefferson Memorial Forest; Martin Schmidt Locust Grove; Mike Smith, Olmsted Parks Conservancy; and Clydeen Thompson with Senior Services.

Outstanding Community Center Volunteer was Tracee Duncan, at Baxter Community Center, and Outstanding Natural Areas Volunteer was Margie Jones, with Jefferson Memorial Forest.

Keep your ears open for a Volunteer Picnic in 2010!

Thanks to everyone who volunteered in 2009, and we'll see you in 2010.

Natural Areas Division Volunteers

Natural Areas oversees over 7,000 acres of land set aside for the preservation and conservation of natural habitat, including Jefferson Memorial Forest, Fairmount Falls, Caperton Swamp, Beargrass Creek Greenway and Waverly Park. With its 6,000 acres, Jefferson Memorial Forest is Natural Areas' headquarters. The Forest has 35 miles of trails, a fishing lake, picnic areas and an environmental education department. Volunteers assist with trail maintenance, remove litter and help with teaching programs.

Both teams and individuals are welcome at Natural Areas. Even if you have limited time available, or want to try just one day of volunteering before you commit, we can find you a spot to take part!

Our Land Stewards and Trail Team have monthly project days every Saturday of each month, beginning at 9 a.m. Come out and meet our outstanding crews, or give us a call for more information.

Contact Volunteer Coordinator Sherry Wright for more information, at 502/380-1753 or sherry.wright@louisvilleky.gov.



The Metro Parks Foundation

The Louisville Metro Parks Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that works with Metro Parks to raise funds and resources to preserve, protect, promote and improve Louisville's public park system, and supports its mission by coordinating financial and volunteer assets.

Since its incorporation in late 2005, the Foundation has contributed more than \$2.5 million in improvements to Louisville's parks, conservation areas and recreation programs, including:

- ✱ The purchase of a 95-acre park property near Fern Creek;
- ✱ The purchase and preservation of a 5-acre wooded property in the Clifton Heights area;
- ✱ A permanent conservation easement on a 31 acres near U.S. 42;
- ✱ Funding for a master plan for the Jefferson Memorial Forest;
- ✱ A pottery program at Beechmont Community Center.

After working quietly for more than two years, a full board of directors

was appointed in spring 2008 and it is currently developing a strategic plan to guide the organization's work to improve Louisville's parks and recreational facilities. The Parks Foundation Board's current chair is Tricia Burke.

If you want to get involved in the effort to improve parks and expand recreational opportunities, please contact the Foundation:

Louisville Metro Parks Foundation

PO Box 37280
Louisville KY 40233-7280
phone 502/456-3253

email jason.cissell@louisvilleky.gov

Gifts to the Foundation are tax-deductible (consult a tax expert).



City of Parks

City of Parks

Big Four Bridge-Pedestrian Access

Portland Wharf Park
Archaeological Interpretation

K&I Bridge-Pedestrian Access

Metro Loop
Parkway Connector

Ohio River Levee Trail
Expansion

Riverview
Park
Expansion

Waterfront Park
Phase III Expansion

River Road
Recreation Corridor

Louisville Loop Path



Jefferson Memorial Forest
Continued Expansion

Floyds Fork Corridor
Acquisition for Future Development

Floyds Fork
Canoe
Launch
Sites

- ✱ Capital improvements completed or underway since merger
- ✱ Properties acquired by Metro Parks for City of Parks

Through a significant public/private partnership, several organizations are working together to:

1. Acquire land that will eventually become an interconnected system of parks every bit as vital as our historic Olmsted Parks.
2. Create a 100-mile paved Louisville Loop around Louisville Metro's perimeter, that will tie together Louisville's diverse parks and neighborhoods.
3. Significantly invest in improving the infrastructure of Louisville's existing parks. Metro Parks has completed 241 capital projects worth approximately \$32.5 million since city and county governments merged in 2003, with an additional 59 projects currently underway.
4. Enhance the environmental education and outdoor recreation opportunities in Louisville.

**Sign Up
for Email
Updates**

Receive news updates and public meeting notices for the City of Parks, by going to www.metro-parks.org and clicking on the "Sign Up for Email Updates" button.

www.metro-parks.org



Community Centers

Metro Parks operates 16 community centers, where you can shoot hoops, finish homework, exercise, learn a new craft or hobby, meet your neighbors, and more. Centers publish seasonal schedules covering activities taking place at each one. Call or visit your center for more information, or visit www.metro-parks.org.

Baxter

1125 Cedar Ct 40203
phone 502/574-2670

Tue-Thu..... Noon-9:30 p.m.
Fri 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Organizations

B.A.B.E.S. Women's Fitness
..... Tue & Thu, 5-7 p.m.
Chess/Dominoes
..... Mon, Wed, Fri, Noon-2 p.m.
Crafty Kids Wed, 5-6 p.m.
Young Men Tue & Thu, 5-6 p.m.
Young People on the Move/Venture
..... Fri, 5-6 p.m.

Resources

Fitness Center • GED Program • Gym •
Teen Room • Tutoring

Beechmont

205 West Wellington Ave 40214
phone 502/361-5484

Mon 10 a.m.-1 p.m., 2-7 p.m.
Tue-Thu 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Fri 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
Sat 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Organizations

Kids' Arts Tue, 6-8 p.m.
Pinochle Tue, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Pottery Wed, 5 p.m.
Scrabble Mon, 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Square Dance Wed, 6-8:30 p.m.
Table Tennis Tue, 4:30-8:30 p.m.
..... Wed, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
..... Sat, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Resources

Billiard Room • Cardiovascular Room
• Pottery Studio • Senior Fitness/
Nutrition • Weight Room

California

1600 West St. Catherine St 40210
phone 502/574-2658

Mon-Thu 1-10 p.m.
Fri Noon-9 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Organizations

Teens 2nd Tue, 5-6 p.m.

Resources

Computer Lab • Game Room • Gym •
Teen Room

Cyril Allgeier

4101 Cadillac Ct 40213
phone 502/456-3261

Tue-Thu 11 a.m.-9 p.m.
Fri 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Sat 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Organizations

Silent Seniors Alt Thu

Resources

Community Room • Game Room •
Gym

Douglass

2305 Douglass Blvd 40205
phone 502/456-8120

Tue & Thu 11 a.m.-9 p.m.
Wed & Fri 8:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
Sat 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Organizations

Angletree Folk Dancers Wed, 6 p.m.
Coffee Talk Book Club Tue, 1 p.m.
Fitness for Everyone
..... Mon & Wed, 7-8 p.m.
Highland/Douglass Neighborhood
Association 1st Wed, 7 p.m.
Morris Senior Tap Rockerettes
..... Mon, 10 a.m.

Best Ever Book Club • Louisville
Visual Arts • Manna Food Co-Op

Resources

Art Studio • Game Room • Gym •
Meeting Room • Teen Room • Weight
Room

Dumeyer

1644 Squires Dr 40215
phone 502/366-9206

Tue-Thu Noon-9:30 p.m.
Fri 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Organizations

Boy Scouts
Girl Scouts 1st & 3rd Wed, 6-8 p.m.
Hip Hop Dance Tue-Thu, 6-7:30 p.m.
Teens Tue-Fri, 6-9 p.m.

Resources

Arts & Crafts • Computer Room •
Game Room • Gym • Resident Council
• Teen Room • Tutoring • Weight Room

Newburg

4810 Exeter Ave 40218
phone 502/456-8122

Tue-Thu 11 a.m.-8:30 p.m.
Fri Noon-7:30 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Organizations

Dance Team • Girl Scouts • Teens •
Video Gamers

Resources

Game Room • Gym • Weight Room

Parkhill

1703 South Thirteenth St 40210
phone 502/637-3044

Mon-Thu Noon-9:30 p.m.
Fri 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Organizations

Boy Scouts 1st & 3rd Wed, 5-6 p.m.

Girls Talk Thu, 3:30-5 p.m.
Seniors.. Tue & Thu, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Wise Guys Thu, 5-6 p.m.

Resources

Computer Lab • Game Room • Gym •
Teen Room • Tutoring

Portland

640 North 27th St 40212
phone 502/776-0913

Tue-Thu Noon-9:30 p.m.
Fri 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Organizations

Family Resource Center • Kentucky
Agriculture Food and Literacy •
Mackin Community Center • Neigh-
borhood Place • Portland Dance/Step
• Portland Health Center • Red Cross
• Salvation Army Portland Boys and
Girls

Resources

Arts & Crafts Room • Game Room •
Gym • Kiln • Kitchen • Meeting Room
• Teen Room • Video Game Room •
Weight Room

Shawnee

607 South 37th St 40211
phone 502/775-5268

Tue-Thu 10:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
Fri 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Organizations

B, G & Me • 4H • Girls Talk • Teen Talk

Resources

Computer Lab • Game Room • Gym •
Teen Room • Weight Room

Shelby Park

600 East Oak St 40203
phone 502/574-1780

Tue-Thu 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m.
Fri 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Organizations

Shelby Park Neighborhood Assoc.
..... 4th Thu, 6 p.m.
Teens Wed, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Resources

Game Room • Teen Room • Video
Production

South Louisville

2911 Taylor Blvd 40208
phone 502/574-3206

Tue-Thu 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Fri 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Organizations

Girl Scouts TBA
Senior Body Shaping
..... Tue & Fri, 10-10:30 a.m.
Walking Tue-Fri, 9 a.m.-Noon,
6-7 p.m., Sat 10 a.m.-Noon

Find out what's going on
at your favorite community
center. Each center has
its own schedule
of events, available
from that facility's
staff and online at
www.metro-parks.org.



Resources

Fitness Center • Game Room • Gym
• Kiln • Indoor Walking Track • Teen
Room

Southwick

3621 Southern Ave 40211
phone 502/775-6598

Tue-Thu 1-10 p.m.
Fri Noon-9 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Resources

Computer Room • Game Room •
Teen Room • Tutoring • Weight Room

Sun Valley

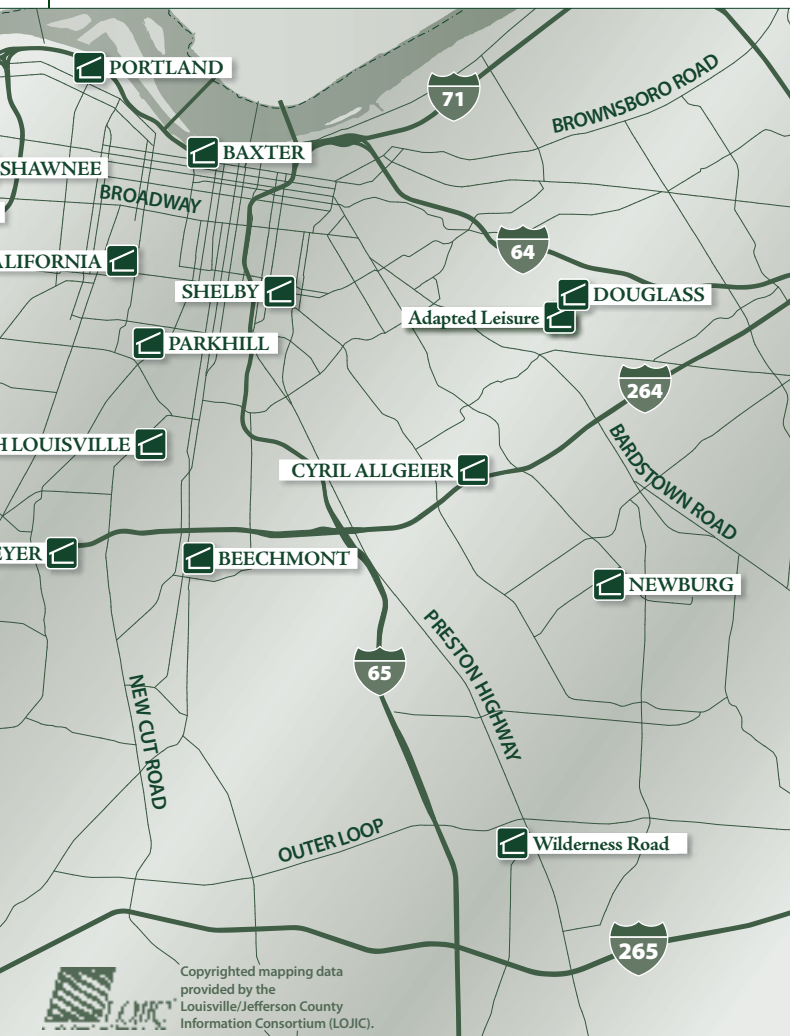
6505 Bethany Ln 40272
phone 502/937-8802

Mon 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Tue-Thu 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Fri 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sat 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and rentals

Organizations

Bowling League Tue, 5 p.m.
Creative Kids Tue, 6:15 p.m.
Scrapbooking Sat, 10 a.m.
Tiny Tots in Motion Wed, 6:30 p.m.
Toddler Time Fri, 11 a.m.

Community Centers



Where Can I Find...?

Arts & Crafts

Baxter, Beechmont, Douglass, Dumeyer, Newburg, Parkhill, Portland, South Louisville, Sun Valley, Sylvania

Archery

Cyril Allgeier, Douglass, Newburg

Book Clubs

Douglass

Boy Scouts/Boys Clubs

Baxter, Dumeyer, Newburg, Parkhill, Portland, Sun Valley

Chess/Dominoes

Baxter

Computer Labs

California, Parkhill, Portland, Shawnee, Southwick

Cooking

Newburg

Cub Scouts

Baxter

Dance Team

Dumeyer, Newburg

Disabled Programs

Douglass, Sylvania, Sun Valley

4H

Shawnee

Folk Dancing

Douglass

Game Rooms

Beechmont, California, Cyril Allgeier, Douglass, Dumeyer, Newburg,

Parkhill, Portland, Shawnee, Shelby Park, South Louisville, Southwick, Sun Valley, Sylvania

GED Programs

Sun Valley

Girl Scouts/Girls Clubs

Dumeyer, Newburg, Parkhill, Portland, Shawnee, South Louisville

Gyms/Fitness

Baxter, Beechmont, California, Cyril Allgeier, Douglass, Dumeyer, Flaget, Newburg, Parkhill, Portland, Shawnee, South Louisville, Sun Valley, Sylvania

Homeschooling Group

Sun Valley

Kiln

Baxter, Dumeyer, Parkhill, Portland

Kitchen

Portland

Line Dancing

Newburg

Meeting Rooms

Douglass, Flaget, Portland, Sun Valley

Neighborhood Groups

Portland, Shelby Park, Shawnee Golf Course

Neighborhood Youth Boards

Dumeyer

Nutrition

Newburg

Resident Council

Dumeyer

Salvation Army

Portland

Senior Fitness, Nutrition and Other Programming

Beechmont, Cyril Allgeier, Douglass, Flaget, South Louisville, Sun Valley

Table Tennis Team

Beechmont

Teen Rooms

Baxter, California, Douglass, South Louisville, Dumeyer, Parkhill, Portland, Shawnee, Shelby Park, South Louisville, Southwick

Toddler Program

Sun Valley

Tutoring

Baxter, Dumeyer, Parkhill, Portland, Southwick

Video Game Room

Beechmont

Visual Arts

Douglass, Metro Arts Center, Shelby Park

Walking Clubs

South Louisville, Sun Valley

Weight Rooms

Baxter, Beechmont, Douglass, Newburg, Parkhill, Shawnee, Southwick, Sun Valley, Sylvania

Young Chefs Thu, 6:30 p.m.

Resources

Arts & Crafts Room • Fitness Room • Game Room • Meeting Rooms

Sylvania

6650 Sylvania Rd 40258

phone 502/937-8802

Tue, Wed, Thu 2:30-8 p.m.

Organizations

Kids in Motion.. Thu, 10:30 a.m.-Noon
Southwest Center (*Adults with Disabilities*) Tue, 10 a.m.-Noon

Resources

Art Room • Game Room • Gym • Kiln • Softball Field • Weight Room

Senior Centers

Flaget Senior Center

4425 Greenwood Ave 40211

phone 502/574-2646 • 502/574-2831

Mon-Fri 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Organizations

Chickasaw Federation
..... 4th Thu, 6:30-8 p.m.

Family Life Seniors Thu, 11:30 a.m.

Flaget Fit Club.. Mon-Fri, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Red Hat Society 2nd Mon, 1:30 p.m.

Resources

Fitness Room • Meeting Room • Game Room • Video Room • Walking Track



Wilderness Road Senior Center

8111 Blue Lick Rd 40219

phone 502/964-5151

email parks@louisvilleky.gov

Mon-Fri 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Organizations

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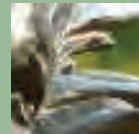
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Excepting golf courses, Metro Parks facilities and programs will be closed May 25. Park grounds not requiring staff presence will remain open.

We're seeking art with a seasonal theme of people, parks and recreation for the cover of this guide. Call 456-3252 or email parks@louisvilleky.gov to submit work for consideration.



On the cover: Hogan Fountain in Cherokee Park. The Fountain was designed by sculptor Enid Yandell, at the behest of Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Hogan, as a watering trough for horses and dogs in the park. It was unveiled in August 1905 and has become one of Louisville's most recognizable landmarks.

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Hike and Bike It!

Subway Fresh Fit Hike & Bike
15 Mile Bike Ride/3K Walk
Starting at the Great Lawn in Waterfront Park

Memorial Day • Monday, May 31, 2010

Booths open 9 a.m.

Bike ride 10 a.m.

Walk 10:20 a.m.

Free t-shirts, door prizes and bike helmet giveaways.
Healthy Hometown booths and food vendors.

www.louisvilleky.gov/healthyhometown



Mission Statement

The mission of Louisville Metro Parks is to create a City of Parks where people can play, learn, grow and be healthy. The mission is accomplished by taking care of all parks properties and creating new ones, by providing safe and diverse recreational programs, and by protecting our public lands and resources for future generations.

Your Parks

Metro Parks operates 124 parks on approximately 14,000 acres of land. Parks are open daily. Operating hours are posted at each park. It is the intent of Metro Parks to make all programs and facilities accessible to individuals with disabilities; if an accommodation is necessary for your participation, please advise us of the needed service in advance. For alternative versions of the Metro Parks Recreation Guide, call 502/456-8148 (voice), or 502/456-8183 (TDD).

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Function and History

Metro Parks plans, supervises, operates and maintains Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government's public parks, forests and recreational facilities. The department also operates recreation programs for all ages.

The department was established in 1968, when the Louisville City Parks Department and the Jefferson County Parks Department were combined. Metro Parks operates with funding from Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government. Metro Parks Advisory Commission members are appointed by the Mayor.